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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Presently Amended) A retainer for securing and suspending a bottle having an upper portion that carries a cap and a lower portion, said retainer comprising:

a base having an affixing portion and a retaining portion, said affixing portion having a back side and a front side, said back side being adapted for mounting the retainer to a surface,

at least two generally horizontal, substantially parallel arms, extending from the base retaining portion to form at least one opening therebetween, said at least one openings having no covering members such that said opening has no obstructions, said at least one opening adapted to cooperate ~~cooperating~~ to suspend the lower portion of the bottle from the base, with the upper portion of the bottle engaged by the arms to support the bottle within the at least one opening, wherein the arms engage under the top portion in a groove defined between the lower portion and the cap, such that the lower portion is suspended beneath the retaining portion of the base; and

wherein each of the arms has at least one obstruction positioned adjacent a forward edge of the arm and spaced away from the affixing portion, the at least one obstruction extending upwardly from a top surface of the arm and being positioned on a portion of the arm on both sides of the at least one opening to resist accidental bottle disengagement, wherein the portion of the arm that the obstruction is positioned upon does not extend the entire width of the arm.

2. (Presently Amended) The retainer of Claim 1, wherein said retaining portion ~~further~~ comprises at least three, substantially parallel, generally horizontal arms, wherein said arms form at least two unobstructed openings for slidably receiving bottles therein.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously presented) The retainer of Claim 1, wherein said back side of said affixing portion further includes an adhesive layer, adapted to mount the retainer to a surface.

5. (Previously presented) The retainer of Claim 1, wherein said affixing portion is adapted to receive at least one fastener for mounting the retainer to a surface.

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6. (Previously presented) The retainer of Claim 2, wherein a first opening of said at least two openings is smaller than a second opening of said at least two openings.
7. (Previously presented) The retainer of Claim 2, wherein said at least two openings are equivalent in size.
- 8-10. (Canceled).
11. (New) The retainer of Claim 1 wherein said obstruction has a cylindrical shape.
- 12 (New) The retainer of Claim 2, wherein there are two obstructions positioned between adjacent openings, wherein each of said obstructions are positioned so as to be closer to one of said adjacent openings such that a gap is formed between adjacent obstructions.